Sunday, June 15, 2025 – 9:30 a.m. HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!

TODAY'S FOCUS: HOPE — Do we believe what Paul is telling the Romans about Affliction? The Bible constantly tells us to count affliction a blessing. So why don't we?

PRELUDE — Scott Anderson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Lin

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST — Lin

*OPENING HYMN UMH #144 "This Is My Father's World" 1. This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
 The morning light the lily white, declare their maker's praise.
 This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;
 In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.

3. This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

*CALL TO WORSHIP — Justin Presnall, Jr.

One: God of Creation,

Men: God of Salvation,

Women: God of Wind and Flame!

One: Changeless God, Ever-seeking,

Men: Ever-reaching,

Women: Ever-teaching God.

One: Sovereign God

Men: Prince of Peace,

Women: Comforter and Friend!

One: God in three persons,

All: Blessed Trinity!

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OPENING PRAYER — Lin

SPECIAL MUSIC — Bill Smith "The Old Man"

HYMN

TFWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

CHILDREN'S STORY — Lin

SCRIPTURE: Romans 5:1-5 — Justin Presnall, Jr.

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

MESSAGE	"Boasting In Our Hope"		Rev. Lin Cheek
RESPONSIVE HYMN	UMH #64	"Holy, Holy, Holy"	
1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!			
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;			
Holy, Holy, Holy, Merciful and Mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity.			
 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore the, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim, falling down before thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be. 			
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,			
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;			
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.			
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity!			

OFFERTORY — Betsy Foushee

*DOXOLOGY UMH #94

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION — Lin

ALL: God of all hope, make us good givers, willing to share with others what you have shared with us. May the gifts we give and the lives we live display to the world an endurance that produces character and character that produces hope. For we pray boldly, knowing hope that comes from the Holy Spirit never disappoints! In Christ, we pray. Amen.

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PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER - Lin

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN TFWS #2145 "I've Got Peace Like a River" 1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

2. I've got joy like a fountain...
 3. I've got love like an ocean...

*BENEDICTION — Lin

POSTLUDE — Scott Anderson

Prelude/Postlude—Scott Anderson Offertory—Betsy Foushee Organ — Ginny Shaw Special Music — Bill Smith "The Old Man" Liturgist — Justin Presnall, Jr. Accomp.—Betsy Foushee Song Leader—Scott Anderson Violin — Rae Ann Norell

Children's Message— Lin Cheek